## Town of Milton Town Council Meeting Minutes March 7, 2005

Written and Approved from Original Minutes of above referenced meeting:

Administrative Subdivision Requests-Based on the previous request to consolidate lots, the Mayor wanted to know the Council's thoughts on giving the Town Manager the authority to sign off on such requests where several lots will be consolidated into a single lot essentially removing lot lines as long as no codes or ordinances are affected. Councilman Dvornick made a motion to grant Mr. Godwin the approval to sign off on such requests, seconded by Councilman Prettyman. Mr. Godwin will check with the Town's attorney to make sure there will not be any issues with granting the authority to him. All those in favor.

Motion carried - "Aye"

Amended minutes in verbatim per request of Curt Clifton from the Attorney General's Office dated September 5, 2007:

Mayor Bushey: Next thing is Council, since we did this it's brought a new issue to the front that is very minor something that should be able to do in the administrative staff the town hall to grant permission to consolidate a parcel. Do we want to give that authority to the Town Manager?

C. Fleetwood: I don't see why not. You know to come to...I don't see any problem, you know, of course I'm leaving but I don't see any problem with combining them. I would see a problem with splitting them...but as far as combining, especially in a case like this where it's one half sits on two pieces of land and he wants to make it into one. I knew Eric was pushing for that with people to get up to the line on that.

Mayor Bushey: Well, let me give you a little bit further clarification on the Burton Property. The house sat on one parcel. Mr. Burton had the house moved off and he wants to build a house that is on...it's actually being built across the center line of both parcels so it's another reason why he wanted to consolidate it. So do you want a motion to grant the Town Manager the authority or?

C. Fleetwood: It says to grant subdivision, that wouldn't be...

Mr. Godwin: Well, let me explain, your honor, council members. The word subdivision is used only because that is the word you use when you change properties from one to two or two to one, however you do that. In this case, what I would suggest is that you grant me the authority to do what you just did tonight. And that would only to remove a property line and not to cut a property in half, but to remove a property line to make two parcel's one, if they are owned by the

same person and if it doesn't cause any setback problems or violate the city code in any fashion. There's no reason why you really have to be bothered with that as your work when in fact it's an administrative decision. If you are comfortable with me making those kinds of decisions of course I would do it only after consulting with our Code Enforcement Officer in making sure that it did comply with all codes and all setbacks and would not complicate the process. But there may be a case where this can be done without it being on your work books.

Mayor Bushey: What's your pleasure Council?

C. Dvornick: I make a motion to grant the administrative authority to the Town Manager as requested.

C. Prettyman: I second it.

Mayor Bushey: Motion made and second. Any questions to the motion? No questions to the motion. All those in favor signify by saying "Aye". Opposed – None. Motion so carried. Mr. Godwin: Your honor, I will check with our attorney to see if there are any complications to this particular change that you just made if there are codes.

Mayor Bushey: Okay.

Transcribed by Michele Lepter